NATIONAL DISLOCATED WORKER GRANTS

DISASTER RECOVERY - EMERGENCY FUNDING FOR COVID-19 RESPONSE



Period of Performance	Approved Amount
4/10/20 - 3/31/22	\$12,000,000
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Planned Participants	Target Population
5965	Dislocated Workers
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<u>Supporting Texas's COVID-19</u> <u>Dislocated Workers</u>

Statewide

Project Summary (Need)

The WDBs, part of the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC), are transitioning to a virtual environment and are developing technology-based platforms for customers and businesses, e.g., rapid response. This grant will allow TWC to provide and create opportunities to up-skill and/or cross-train impacted workers to multi-function industries and occupations. TWC is proposing a two-pronged approach to this public health emergency. First, facilitate real-time connections between impacted workers in industries that are downsizing to industries that have immediate hiring needs. Second, strengthen or create virtual remote access to learning platforms (including online learning) that enable a competency-based skills transfer, coupled with concurrent and subsequent employment.

Disaster Relief Employment

The proposed DWG will assist Texas with the creation of disasterrelief positions to support the following occupational fields: medical; support services; delivery/logistics; cleaning services, and manufacturing. Texas anticipates initially funding disasterrelief employment, then quickly ramping up employment and training activities to assist workers transitioning to high-demand occupations in healthcare.

Eligible Participants

Workers laid off due to quarantine orders or business closures related to disruptions caused by the outbreak are eligible participants. Also eligible are workers unable to go to their regular workplace due to social distancing requirements, as well as those missing work to care for a family member.

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TEGL 12-19 (National Dislocated Worker Guidance)

https://wdr.doleta.gov/directives/corr_doc.cfm?docn=9054